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SUBJ: US SUPPORT FOR KUALA LUMPUR TROPICAL DISEASE RESEARCH
CENTER

1. DR. L. R. VERSTUYFT, WHO REPRESENTATIVE IN
MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE AND BRUNEI RESIDENT IN KUALA LUMPUR,
CALLED ON ECONOMIC COUNSELOR IN ORDER TO
DISCUSS HEW SECRETARY CALIFANO'S SPEECH TO THE
WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY ON MAY 9, ESPECIALLY THE
PART THAT SAID, "WE STAND READY ... TO PROVIDE
EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SUPPORT TO THE TWO TROPICAL
DISEASE RESEARCH CENTERS IN NDOLA (ZAMBIA) AND
KUALA LUMPUR (MALAYSIA)." DR. VERSTUYFT SAID HE
WISHED TO ESTABLISH LIAISON WITH THE US GOVERNMENT
FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING USE OF THE PROMISED
SUPPORT.

2. HE SAID THAT THE TROPICAL DISEASE RESEARCH
CENTER IN KUALA LUMPUR HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR
MANY YEARS. WHO HAS AGREED TO COOPERATE AND
PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THE KUALA LUMPUR CENTER.
VERSTUYFT IS WAITING FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF THE
AGREEMENT FROM THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, WHICH
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HE EXPECTS BY MID-JUNE. ONCE THIS IS OBTAINED,
HE CAN THEN PROCEED TO OBTAIN SPECIALISTS FOR THE
CENTER. HE PROMISED TO CONTACT THE EMBASSY AGAIN
AT A LATER POINT WHEN HE WILL BE IN A
POSITION TO MAKE SPECIFIC REQUEST OF THE USG.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARMENT'S ADVICE REGARDING

THE PROPER CHANNEL OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE
USG AND WHO WITH REGARD TO THE PROVISION OF THIS
SUPPORT, AND GUIDANCE REGARDING OUR DEALINGS WITH THE
WHO OFFICE HERE.
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